

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

BARRETT et al.

Application No.: 10/816,551

Filed: March 31, 2004

For: TREATING OR PREVENTING  
HOT FLASHES USING PRODRUGS OF  
GABA ANALOGS

Customer No.: 20686

Confirmation No. 9974

Examiner: Jennifer M. Kim

Technology Center/Art Unit: 1617

**AMENDMENT / RESPONSE TO**  
**OFFICE ACTION**

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicants contemporaneously file a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and a three-month Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

In response to the Office Action mailed December 18, 2008, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.